

UCLA, USC at Top of TRW Collegiate Poll

How important are California's universities and colleges to the advanced-technology firms that have located in the Golden State?

One answer may be found in a survey recently conducted by TRW Inc.

TRW's Systems Group, based in Redondo Beach, recently compiled data on the schools that have granted college degrees to its employees. About one-half of the 16,900 employees are college graduates, reflecting Systems Group's heavy technological involvement in the nation's space and defense programs.

UCLA (803 degrees) and USC (584 degrees) easily led the field. UC Berkeley finished third with 260 degrees and Cal Tech was fifth with 240. Purdue placed just ahead of Cal Tech with 241

degrees granted to TRW employees. Spots six through ten were dominated by Big Ten schools, with Michigan sixth, Illinois seventh and Minnesota tenth. MIT placed eighth in the survey and Stanford ninth.

Six other California institutions finished in the top 50 schools furnishing the manpower that has made TRW one of the ten largest industrial employers in the state. Cal State Long Beach and Cal State Los Angeles placed in the top 20. Northrop Institute of Technology and Cal Poly (Pomona) and San Luis Obispo finished in the top 30. Two more California State Colleges, at San Diego and San Jose, helped round out Systems Group's top 50.

ALTHOUGH these rankings may seem to resemble

the Top Ten football ratings in vogue during the collegiate football season, TRW notes one discrepancy — in its poll Notre Dame finishes last, in the number 50 position.

About 13,000 TRW Systems Group employees are located at the Redondo Beach headquarters facility. Other California locations include San Bernardino, San Juan Capistrano, Vandenberg AFB, and Sunnyvale. Outside the state, Systems Group maintains regional operations at Houston, Cape Kennedy, and Washington, D.C.

TRW Systems Group is a major operating unit of TRW Inc., where more than 75,000 people at some 250 locations around the world are applying advanced technology to electronics, defense, space, aircraft, automotive and related commercial and industrial markets.



HOLD CONFERENCE . . . Executives of Deft, wood finishing products manufacturers of Torrance, discuss future plans at a meeting in Redondo Beach last week. Forty-two company representatives, from throughout the United States, attended the conference, which started Wednesday and ended Sunday. They stayed at Portofino Inn. Shown are (left to right) Bill Stauder, vice president and general manager; Chet Jessemmer, manager of the Alliance, Ohio, plant; Bill Sawtelle, sales manager; and Frank Desmond, executive vice president and owner.

For Nine Months \$85 Million in Building Noted

Only 2 of 14 Southern and Central California Counties — extending from Fresno to San Diego — showed a decrease in building activity for the first nine months of 1968 according to the Statistical Department of the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce.

This total is almost \$500,000 ahead of 1967 figures and is reflected in the Torrance-South Bay where only 4 of the 12 cities reported are behind 1967 totals.

Figures for the area are up \$21 million over 1967 figures having reached a total of almost \$86 million in the first nine months of 1968.

Torrance, the area's largest city, continues to lead with over \$33½ million of building permits issued followed by Redondo Beach's \$13½ million and Carson's \$12¼ million. The leaders far out distance other area cities and rank third, seventh and tenth among Los Angeles County's 76 incorporated cities.

Redondo Beach, with slightly more than \$3 million leads construction in September, followed by Torrance's \$1.7 million and Carson's \$¾ million.

Following is the building permit totals as compiled by the Security Pacific National Bank.

RANK	CITY	SEPT. '68	SEPT. '67	'68	'67
1	Torrance	\$1,705,095	\$2,097,895	\$32,689,960	\$21,924,350
2	Redondo Beach	3,148,830	1,759,947	12,452,857	10,922,778
3	Carson	729,420	Not Incorp.	12,739,504	Not Incorp.
4	El Segundo	599,583	5,118,891	5,639,689	14,948,728
5	Manhattan Beach	682,940	227,969	5,299,340	4,632,188
6	Gardena	514,874	473,318	3,993,871	1,921,190
7	Palos Verdes Estates	390,197	212,490	3,063,867	3,172,515
8	Lomita	37,165	75,594	3,096,352	2,791,041
9	Rolling Hills Estates	179,350	365,145	2,150,580	1,163,516
10	Hermosa Beach	233,529	294,297	1,533,033	1,907,503
11	Lawndale	31,610	128,775	871,419	933,025
12	Rolling Hills	67,450	194,850	457,708	275,074
Totals		\$5,321,933	\$10,961,192	\$85,500,610	\$64,616,156

Payments To Jobless Increase

Capitol News Service
SACRAMENTO — Unemployment insurance payments continued to decrease in September, Peter Weinberger, director of the state Department of Employment, said today, dropping better than \$3 million for the month under the same month in 1967.

The department paid out \$24,364,787 to unemployed workers last month, compared to \$27,461,765 for September, 1967. The decrease was attributed to both improved employment conditions throughout the state, and improved administration in the department.

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Police Arrest Two Suspects

Torrance police have arrested two suspects in connection with the disappearance of 6,383 pounds of plate aluminum, worth \$3,000, from Northrop-Norair, 2133 W. Dominguez

Ave. The aluminum was stolen sometime between Oct. 14 and 17. Jailed were Tommie Blunk, 20, of Hawthorne, and James A. Snyder, 25, of Redondo Beach.

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